To whom it may concern:

I wanted to make my voice heard in the debate going forward to the task force. I think everyone can agree that the tragedy in Newtown was horrific. However I believe there can be measures instituted to promote safety and also preserve our rights under the Constitution. I am voter in CT and will be watching very closely these events.

I am for a requirement that all gun buyers need a permit for ownership and possession in CT as the current process is today. I believe this should also apply to ammunition. I am for regulations that all fire arms should be locked up when not in use or with the person they are owned by.

I am totally **against** any ban of modern sporting rifles or limits on their ammunition capacity. These rifles are commonly referred to and purposely called "assault weapons", they are not. They are semi-automatic rifles plain and simple. Good law abiding citizens should not be penalized by the actions of criminals.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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